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PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: RILEY  
Invention: OPTICAL ISOLATION  
APPARATUS AND METHOD  
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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 24, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as presented below. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, an unmarked version of the claims amended and/or added by this Response is presented herein, and a marked-up version of the amendments is submitted contemporaneously herewith (as ATTACHMENT A).

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 60 and 72.

Please reformat claim 62 into independent form as follows:

62. (Amended) A method of electrically isolating a remote circuit from a controller, the method comprising the steps of:

- transmitting a first light signal;
- converting the transmitted first light signal to electrical power only;
- powering the remote circuit with the electrical power;
- converting an electrical output signal from the remote circuit to a second light signal;

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